



Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

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Michael F. Jacobson, Ph.D. Executive Director Center for the Science in the Public Interest 1875 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 300 Washington, DC 20009

Dear Dr. Jacobson:

Your petition requesting the Food and Drug Administration for rulemaking to revoke the authority for industry to use partially hydrogenated vegetable oil in foods was received by this office on 05/18/2004. It was assigned docket number 2004P-0236/CP1 and it was filed on 05/18/2004. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

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